

I am writing to express dismay with the intentions of Sinclair Broadcasting to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Corporate monopolies are at risk of interfering with a true democratic process during this most important election. Sinclair Broadcasting plans to use public airwaves to further its political agenda. This represents a conflict with its purported mission to serve the public interest. When large companies control the airwaves, the public is deprived of balanced representation and this is not good for democracy.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.